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REF: (A) STATE 273260, (B) NASA TELEGRAM OF NOV. 24,1976, PBO/TEHRAN, (C) LTR. OF NOV. 10,1976, FROM RAYMOND FARY/USGS, RESTON, VIRGINIA, TO ALI GHAZI/PBO/TEHRAN

1. ON NOVEMBER 30, SCIENCE ATTACHE MET WITH DR. ALI BARZEGAR, DEPUTY MINISTER FOR EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION. EMPHASIZING THE COORDINATING ROLE OF HIS MINISTRY FOR ALL USIRJC ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA OF SCIENCE AND EDUCATION, DR. BARZEGAR SAID THE MINISTRY STILL AWAITS A COORDINATED U.S. RESPONSE GIVING OUR COMMENTS ON IRANIAN PROPOSALS SUBMITTED AT LAST MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF ST&E OF JOINT COMMISSION. THE LETTER OF NOVEMBER 10, 1976, FROM RAYMOND FARY, USGS, TO MR. ALI GHAZI OF PBO, WHILE HELPFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE, UNFORTUNATELY CANNOT BE CIRCULATED TO OTHER IRANIAN ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ALSO HAVE AN INTEREST UNCLASSIFIED

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IN REMOTE SENSING. IN THE PROCEDURAL SENSE, HE SAID, IT

WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR HIS MINISTRY TO SOLICIT THE VIEWS OF OTHER IRANIAN BODIES ON THE BASIS OF FARY LETTER TO PBO. MORE SUBSTANTIVELY, HOWEVER, BARZEGAR IS NOT ALTOGETHER IN AGREEMENT WITH SOME OF THE SUGGESTIONS IN FARY LETTER, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT ELABORATE. BARZEGAR ASSURED SCIATT THAT MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION LOOKING FORWARD TO EXPANISON OF U.S.-IRAN COOPERATION AT THE FASTEST POSSIBLE PACE.

- 2. RE REFTEL B, EMBASSY HAS RESERVED SINGLE ROOM FOR MR. PITT THOME OF NASA AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, JANUARY 25-26. BOTH BARZEGAR AND GHAZI WELCOME VISIT. MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION WILL COORDINATE VISIT WITHIN GOI.
- 3. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT PLEASE PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH FULLY COORDINATED USG POSITION ON PROPOSED U.S.-IRAN COLLABORATION IN FIELD OF REMOTE SENSING. IF FARY LETTER TO GHAZI OF NOVEMBER 10 REPRESENTS SUCH POSITION, PLEASE ADVISE AND WE WILL PROVIDE MINISTRY WITH MEMORANDUM BASED ON THIS LETTER. HELMS

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